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THIS WEEK

- W&S crews continued working on hydrant flushing & maintenance
- ST & A division finished up oil and chip operations for the season
- The first order of road salt for the upcoming season was delivered
- The recently completed Sportsman Road trail extension was dedicated as part of the Sursee Trail

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WTP Recognition

In September, Mike Buss attended the 2012 Illinois Section of the American Water Works Association Conference in Springfield. During the awards presentations the Illinois EPA presented fluoridation awards to 432 community water systems for maintaining state mandated fluoride levels every month in 2011.

Highland was among 47 other communities recognized for at least 10 consecutive years of achievement.



According to the IEPA maintaining optimum fluoride levels provides an important benefit for the public. The Illinois Department of Public Health says that water fluoridation can improve overall oral health for both children and adults, and studies show water fluoridation reduces tooth decay by about 25% over a person's lifetime.

Both the IEPA and IDPH applaud and congratulate the communities and the water supply operators for their efforts and diligence ensuring fluoride levels to their communities.

Troxler Avenue Pavement Restoration—Phase 2

At the October 15th City Council meeting a bid was awarded to Interstate Improvement, Inc., of Fairbault, MN in the amount of \$389,834.46 for the pavement restoration on Troxler Avenue from Route 160, east to Route 40 /143.

This project, like the restoration on Troxler Avenue between Route 143 and Route 160 that was completed in the summer of 2011, will retrofit the expansion joints with dowel rods and then will do a fine grinding on the pavement. As on the first phase of the project, the thumping will be eliminated.

Construction is scheduled to begin on Monday, October 29th and, weather pending, should be completed in about three weeks. During construction there will be no through traffic from Route 160 to Route 40/143. There will be local access only for residents of Augusta Estates and to the hospital construction site.

With the construction of the new hospital, this stretch of Troxler Avenue is scheduled to be widened. The city is currently awaiting state approval to move forward on that project. Additionally, a project slated for a summer 2013 letting, will add sidewalks in the area as part of the Safe Routes to School program.